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SENATE BILL

No. 905

Introduced by Senator Chesbro

February 21, 2003

An act to amend, *repeal*, *and add* Section 48800 of the Education Code, relating to educational enrichment.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 905, as amended, Chesbro. Educational enrichment: concurrent enrollment of pupils in high school and community college.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. Existing law authorizes the establishment of community college districts under the administration of community college governing boards, and authorizes these districts to provide instruction at community college campuses throughout the state. Existing law authorizes the governing board of a community college district to admit to any community college under its jurisdiction as a special part-time student a high school pupil who is determined by the governing board of his or her school district of attendance to be likely to benefit from advanced scholastic or vocational work.

Existing law authorizes a principal to recommend a pupil as a special student pursuant to rules and regulations adopted by the governing board of the school district for community college summer session attendance. but prohibits the principal from recommending a number of pupils who have completed a particular grade in excess of 5% of the

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total number of pupils in the school who have completed that grade immediately prior to the time of recommendation. Existing law also requires that a principal may only recommend a pupil as a special student *for community college summer session attendance* if that pupil demonstrates adequate preparation in the discipline to be studied and exhausts all opportunities to enroll in an equivalent course, if any, at his or her school of attendance.

This bill would delete increase the 5% limit referenced above to 10%, which would remain in effect until January 1, 2010, at which time the limit would return to 5%. The bill would also delete the requirement that a principal may only recommend a pupil who demonstrates adequate preparation in the discipline to be studied and who exhausts all opportunities to enroll in an equivalent course, if any, at his or her school of attendance.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature that growth in the summer session enrollment of part-time, specially-admitted students at community colleges, which could result from the amendments made by this act to Section 48800 of the Education Code, should not displace regularly admitted students.

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(b) If the governing board denies a request for a special part-time or full-time enrollment at a community college for any

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session or term for a pupil who is identified as highly gifted, the board shall issue its written recommendation and the reasons for the denial within 60 days. The written recommendation and denial shall be issued at the next regularly scheduled board meeting that falls at least 30 days after the request has been submitted.

- (c) The students shall receive credit for community college courses that they complete at the level determined appropriate by the school district and community college district governing boards.
- (d) (1) The principal of a school may only recommend a pupil for community college summer session if that pupil meets all of the following criteria:
- (A) Demonstrates adequate preparation in the discipline to be studied.
- (B) Exhausts all opportunities to enroll in an equivalent course, if any, at his or her school of attendance.
- (2) For any particular grade level, a principal may not recommend for community college summer session attendance more than $5\ 10$ percent of the total number of pupils who completed that grade immediately prior to the time of recommendation.
- (3) Notwithstanding Article 3 (commencing with Section 33050) of Chapter 1 of Part 20, compliance with this subdivision may not be waived.
- (e) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2010, and as of that date is repealed.
- SEC. 3. Section 48800 is added to the Education Code, to read:
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